

Three in One, or One in Three?

Our thinking moves far from the reality of God when we limit our reflection of the Trinity to numbers. The characterizations of an old man, a younger man, and a dove do not help much either. However, these are attempts to somehow talk about the mystery of all mysteries. We cannot adequately conceptualize or characterize God, but we try. Each reading today makes its own attempt.

In the Exodus passage, God actually describes God's own self: "gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in love and fidelity" (Exodus 34:6).

The Gospel passage tells us how these divine features play out in our lives: "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son" (John 3:16). This Son is God in the flesh. What greater love can there be?

The prayer in Paul's letter seems to scoop us up

like an adoring parent would into the embrace of the Trinity: "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the holy Spirit be with all of you" (2 Corinthians 13:13).

Theologians tell us that each person of the Trinity interacts with us and the rest of the created universe in a way unique to each person. Though different, each way is an expression of self-emptying love. The only response required of us is openness to that love. God only asks that we accept that love and allow it to transform us. Then we will be the living example of the Trinity's love for all.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- Say the Gloria slowly, reflecting prayerfully on the meaning of the words.
- What in today's readings touches you the most? Why?



God so loved
the world that he
gave his only Son,
so that everyone
who believes in
him might not
perish.

JOHN 3:16



THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

JUNE 7, 2020

*Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit:
to God who is, who was, and who is to come.*

WELCOME TO THE PARISH UNIT OF:

**St. Bernard's (Moncton)
St. Vincent (Sackville)
& St. Clement's (Port Elgin)**

MASS TIMES THE WEEK OF: JUNE 8-14, 2020

St. Bernard's	4 PM-Saturday & 11-AM Sunday
St. Vincent	9 AM Sunday Mass
St. Clement's	Every 2 nd Saturday @ 7 PM (call 538-2262 to confirm)

PASTORAL MINISTRY TEAM

Priest Moderator: Fr. Allison S. Carroll	Social Justice: Claudia McCloskey
Assistant: (part-time) Fr. Charles Broderick	Catechetics: Lorella Dunnett
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**PARISH OFFICE - CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE
MESSAGES AND EMAILS WILL BE CHECKED REGULARLY
PHONE: 857-0425 EMAIL: sbhf@rogers.com**

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 8-14, 2020

Saturday	June 13	Late Muriel & Joe Richards	Claudia & Art
Sunday	June 14	Anniv. late Fr. Omer Leger	Family

OFFERINGS

WEEKLY PRE-AUTHORIZED

Sunday	\$ 10.00 (1)	Building Fund	\$ 10.00 (1)
OTHER OFFERINGS RECEIVED			
Envelopes	\$ 1,230.00	Papal charities	\$ 10.00 (1)
Easter	\$ 30.00	Syrian relief	\$ 30.00 (1)
Share Lent	\$ 20.00	Capital Campaign	\$ 25.00 (1)
Good Friday	\$ 25.00	Building Fund	\$ 340.00 (4)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS AND CONTINUED SUPPORT !!!



Parish contributions

It is a fact that parishes rely on weekly collections. Expenses to run a church remain constant. **If you are able to**, we ask that consideration be given to continuing your weekly / monthly donation during this COVID-19 crisis.

Optional ways of contributing to St. Bernard's during the COVID-19 closure:

1. **Online:** St. Bernard's website @ www.stbernardschurch.ca
(through CanadaHelps)
Click on "Donate" and fill in accordingly.
Methods of payment accepted: Credit card or PayPal.
2. **Mail:** Cheques may be mailed. Please ensure you include your name, address and envelope # if applicable.
3. **Or, simply put your regular weekly / monthly donations aside** until St. Bernard's re-opens and donate at that time.

Thank you for your continued generosity!!! God Bless all at this difficult time.



Ecclesiastes 3...

*Under every season there is a time...A time to heal.
We remember in our prayers those who are sick...*

<i>Chris Fortin</i>	<i>Marjorie Moore</i>	<i>Marilyn MacLeod</i>	<i>Dianne Gallant</i>
<i>Rob Robichaud</i>	<i>Ann Marie Bourgeois</i>	<i>Paul LeBlanc</i>	<i>Marie Gaudet</i>
<i>Ronald Briffett</i>	<i>Beth Purcell</i>	<i>Nancy Gatién</i>	
<i>Roger Berube</i>	<i>Eugene Leger</i>	<i>Dan Martin</i>	
<i>Bernie Cormier</i>	<i>Neil Coyle</i>	<i>Erich Kopetsky</i>	

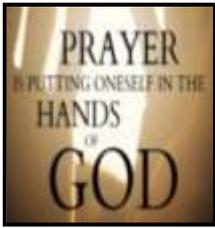


A time to mourn...

Our sincere sympathies to the family of:



<i>Father Bernard Sloan</i>	Brother of Michael (Theresa), & (late) sisters, Carol Ann & Susan
<i>And to all who are mourning the loss of a loved one.</i>	



Listening & Prayer

Are you in need of prayer? Are you going through a difficult time? You can confide in the prayers of the Notre-Dame-du-Sacré-Coeur Sisters.

Phone: 388-1701 or 1-800-561-3995

Monday to Friday: 9:30 - 11:30 AM and 2:00 - 4:00 PM

Wednesdays only: 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Prayers of Intercession

For all of us, the Church: that the unconditional love of the Trinity strengthen and inspire each of us to love and witness God's love and mercy to others. **We pray.**

For world leaders: for the wisdom and courage to contribute to peace throughout the world. **We pray.**

For an end to violence. For a sharing of common respect and dignity among all peoples. **We pray.**

For the unemployed, the lonely, & those who are suffering in anyway due to Covid-19. **We pray.**

For all the churches serving the greater Moncton area. **We pray.**

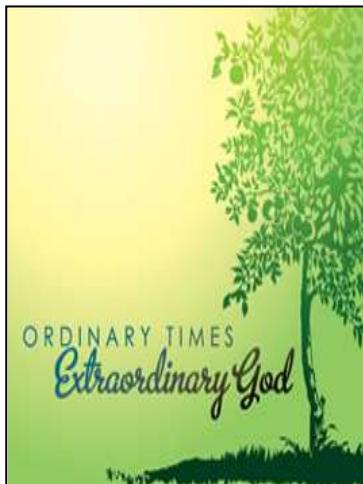
For the sick and all who are suffering. And for those who care for them. **We pray.**

For all who have died. And for the families who cannot be with their loved ones who are dying or who have died. And for families who are unable to have a funeral for their loved ones at this time. **We pray.**

Act of Spiritual Communion

*My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul.
Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least
spiritually into my heart. As though You have already
come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You;
never permit me to be separated from You.*

Amen



Ordinary Time

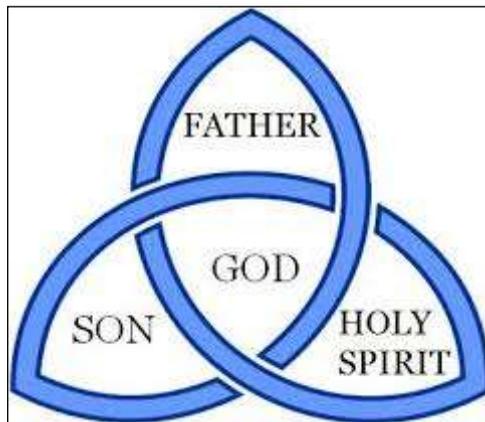
After Pentecost the Easter season comes to an end and we enter into Ordinary time. During Ordinary Time, the Church celebrates the fullness of the mystery of the Lord Jesus. The people of God offer praise by celebrating the Paschal Mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus. On the first day of the week, the Lord's Day, God assembles the beloved people to hear the word, to reflect upon it, to offer the living sacrifice of praise and to eat and drink the banquet of the Lord. Then God sends them forth to proclaim this love by their words and actions. Sunday is the original Christian Feast Day, following the tradition handed down from apostolic times, for this was the day of the Lord's resurrection. Today's Christian communities continue this tradition by celebrating every Sunday as the day of the Risen Lord.

**EMPLOYMENT
OPPORTUNITY**

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church is seeking a full time Caretaker.

The Caretaker plays an integral role in the life of the parish by keeping the church buildings and property clean and maintained. Additionally, the Caretaker does set ups and take downs for events and activities in our parish. The successful candidate will

be capable of physical work, independent work, and working with other staff and committee members. The tasks require the successful candidate to work both inside and outside. This position is full time with a probationary period of up to 6 months. For a full description and application information, please visit our website www.setmoncton.com. Application deadline is Friday, June 5th at 4:00 p.m.



Phase 3 of the Recovery Plan in NB

NB Public Health and Premier Blaine Higgs announced in a press conference Thursday, June 4, 2020 that again **we have re-entered into Phase 3 of the recovery plan. For us here at St. Bernard's this means that weekend Masses, Saturday @ 4 PM and Sundays at 11 AM, will resume effective June 6 & 7.**

Masses attendance numbers are restricted to 50 maximum following all the required guidelines.

Those who are 70 years of age or older, or who have medical or at-risk conditions, to carefully assess the risk when making the decision to attend Mass as you are in a higher risk category.

The dispensation (permission to be exempted from the laws or observances of the Church) of the Sunday precept ("You shall attend Mass on Sundays...# 2042 - Catechism of the Catholic Church) is extended for those who cannot go to church, inviting them to read the Word of God and pray in their homes and participate in the celebrations of the Mass Via the media (TV, radio, the internet).

To attend a Mass...you must register by calling the parish office at 857-0425

To be fair to all individuals wishing to attend Mass, a rolling list will be kept. Meaning, you call the office once, indicate your preference of a Saturday or Sunday Mass, & how many person(s) will attend. Your will then be given a date as to the Mass you may attend based on the allowed numbers.

Please note:

Social distancing of 6 feet is still essential.

Sanitizing must be done upon entering.

Entrance and exit doors, only the **main doors on Botsford St. will be used.**

These doors will be clearly identified. No other doors are to be used.

Elevator will not be available.

Registered attendance will be checked upon entrance.

No procession at the beginning or end of Mass.

No singing allowed by the congregation. No song books in the pews.

Holy Water Fonts - will remain empty.

Parish contributions. Donation box will be placed at the entrance of the church.

Sign of Peace: Suspended for the time being.

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Phase 3 of the Recovery Plan in NB (continued from previous page)

Communion: The individual dialogue of Communion (The Body of Christ. Amen) will be done collectively after the response "Lord I am not worthy...", followed by the distribution of Communion in **SILENCE**.

Communion procession: The community will be directed / guided as to how to process up for communion. **Social distancing of 6 feet must be respected.**

At the end of Mass: the faithful will be asked **not leave the church at the same time** as to avoid creating grouping. Leave the church according to a fixed order, respecting the rules of social distancing. (again you will be directed how to exit.)

The faithful are to avoid grouping or contacts among themselves or with the priest before or after services in or outside the church or in the parking lot.

**Please be patient as we implement these new measures.
God bless all.**

Volunteers Needed

With restrictions being lifted by the provincial government that are allowing us to gather once again as faith community, with a maximum of 50 in attendance, we are in need of volunteers. The church must be disinfected following every liturgy; there must be a person checking people in and having them answer the Covid-19 questions; there also needs to be someone just inside the door supplying all in attendance with hand sanitizer; and finally, there must be volunteers inside the church escorting people to their seats in a manner that respects social distancing. If you would like to help with any of these new ministries, please contact the parish office by phone or email. Thank you.

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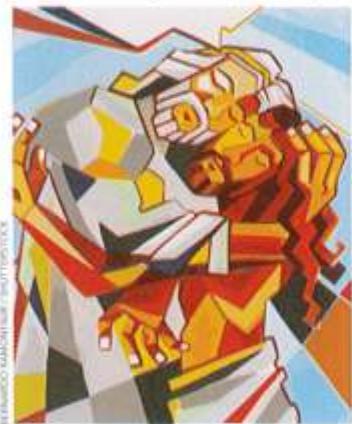
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Dear Padre,

Why was the confusing word *consubstantial* added to our Creed some years ago? What was wrong with the old “one in being with the Father”?

The Creed or Profession of Faith is said at Mass so that the assembly “may respond to the Word of God proclaimed in the readings...and explained in the Homily and that they may also honor and confess the great mysteries of the faith...before the celebration of these mysteries in the Eucharist begins” (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 67). The Nicene Creed normally is used, although the Apostles’ Creed may replace it at Masses with children or on Sundays during the seasons of Lent and Easter.



In the Nicene Creed, “We believe” changed to “I believe” because a profession of faith is a profoundly personal act, even when it’s made in public while at Mass. Plus, the literal translation of the Latin word *credo* is “I believe,” not “we believe.”

The word *consubstantial* indicates that Christ isn’t simply united with the Father but that they share the same substance. In other words, Christ is not a different God, but he’s the same God with the Father, since our God is One. They’re coequal and coeternal. In St. John’s Gospel, Philip asks Jesus to “show us the Father, and that will be enough for us.” Jesus replies, “Whoever has seen me has seen the Father....Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else, believe because of the works themselves” (John 14:8–9, 11).

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

With our eyes fixed on Jesus and his merciful gaze, we experience the love of the Most Holy Trinity....His person is nothing but love, a love given gratuitously....The signs he works, especially in favor of sinners, the poor, the marginalized, the sick, and the suffering, are all meant to teach mercy.

—MISERICORDIAE VULTUS, APRIL 11, 2015

Calendar

Monday

JUNE 8

Weekday

1 Kgs 17:1–6

Mt 5:1–12

Tuesday

JUNE 9

Weekday

1 Kgs 17:7–16

Mt 5:13–16

Wednesday

JUNE 10

Weekday

1 Kgs 18:20–39

Mt 5:17–19

Thursday

JUNE 11

St. Barnabas,
Apostle

Acts 11:21b–26;
13:1–3

Mt 5:20–26

Friday

JUNE 12

Weekday

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11–16

Mt 5:27–32

Saturday

JUNE 13

St. Anthony of Padua,
Priest and

Doctor of the Church

1 Kgs 19:19–21

Mt 5:33–37

Sunday

JUNE 14

Body and Blood
of Christ

Dt 8:2–3, 14b–16a

1 Cor 10:16–17

Jn 6:51–58

